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FROGS.

We have not yet had the ten plagues or pestilence. We have had the locusts and now come the frogs. We have purchased a box of fine toothed combs and a barrel of soap and are looking with Christian fortitude for the coming of the frog plague. Mr. Moore, of this city, showed us a pint of frogs, about the size of a money pie, which he caught near the stone bridge. He says they are in the vicinity in bushes. It is not known whether they will do any damage or not. The frogs grow fat on the hope which we all cherish of escaping from feeling on the undesirable atmosphere.

PROF. SULLIVAN.

It has been announced in our city papers that professor Sullivan of the Central Female College had been re-elected president of this institution. The impression prevailed that the matter of his remaining at the college was definitely settled. However, when it came to the vote Prof. Sullivan has not yet agreed to accept the position for another year. There are many things for him to take into consideration; and before he accepts he has some important questions to weigh. One of them is the engagement of a new faculty member who would require the assistance of the school. His committee who were slightly opposed to this community show they find a final and decisive answer, the result will be made known in our next issue.

A NERVALE OF HOPPERS.

On Tuesday morning we witnessed a phenomenon that we have read about never before here as seen. About seven o'clock, however, we were quite startled as we gazed up towards the sun. Between the eye and the sun, apparently at a distance of several thousand feet, floated a great nebula, or what appeared like a great current of snow flakes, moving rapidly towards the north. The air away from there appeared eerily so quiet that it gave one the impression that winter. The flakes were grasshoppers. For several hours, as far as the eye could pierce, the air was filled with billions upon billions of them winging their way far above earth to the north. About 1 o'clock m., a shower fell, and as the large drizzle came down it seemed that the earth, (very low) came with them.

ALONG THE BRANCH.

The citizens in the vicinity of Houston met en masse on Tuesday, and "gutter" hoppers.

On last Wednesday one of the heaviest rains which has fallen for years came down in Sedalia and vicinity.

The farmers around Concordia are drying down their wheat and oats and making ways for feed for their stock in view of the heavy snow storm.

The oats and wheat has been covered with the hoppers this week between here and Concordia. Nothing but the straw is left, the rest being eaten off.

The excursion to Sweet Springs, Saturday last, from Sedalia was a very pleasant affair. Some one hundred and fifty people, besides a large party from Marshall, were in attendance.

Conductor Nelson was presented with beautiful flowers by the ladies carried to him by Minnie and Agnes while he got on. He is greatly pleased, and feels proud of these kind tokens of respect.

A NEW MOVE.

A gentleman who came up yesterday from St. Louis on the Missouri Pacific says that the arrangement at the Union Depot on twelfth and Poplar streets, where the transfer company has its main center with the exception of St. L., Kan. City and Northern R.R., beat anything he has seen for some time. Trains from all the roads, except the mentioned above are waiting there, and a man can step right from the train onto the Missouri Pacific, the Rock Island, the Santa Fe, the Sedalia, or the K.C. City, into the coaches of other roads that carry him to New York or other part of the country. The operation of the Transfer Company is well gone now. They cannot jolt a fellow four miles of rough street and road and get him to the depot where they used to go. The only road now compelled to use transfer buses takes its passengers across the river every day, is the K. C. & N., and in a few minutes they hope to run trains to the Union Depot. No one can know what a convenience this is and how ferry and safe it is. Where the transfer cars from East St. Louis to New York without bus riding.

TRUE OIL.

For several months past, three or four eighteen years old boys, have been working for Mr. Mentor Thompson, Pettie county.

One of them, with that gentleman, about two weeks ago started in search of new conquests. They began their trip to Kansas City, thinking that they would find work abundant there, but were doomed to disappointment. Their money was pretty well exhausted, and they were tired. When they reached the city, they decided on foot, to return to Pettie county. On Tuesday evening they arrived at ferry landing opposite this city with ten cents in their pockets. The price of ferryage across the river is more than that, and the boat refused to bring over for nothing.

"Where the hell did you get that boat?" asked a man, "across a boat or no boat. They said it will cost me, and the first thing any body told me was that I must pay." Two of the bold boys were buffeting strong current of the swollen river, attempting to swim across. Several persons on the shore were laughing at their situation, and the consequence throughout the city that they had been drowned. Although almost exhausted, and carried far down the stream by the swift current, the two brave fellows finally landed in safety. A gentleman who saw the boys, after their exhausting perilous trip, says that if it were not for the fact, they were very intelligent men. One thing is certain, a young man has enough true grit to swim the Mississippi river in its present condition, but he has not money to pay his way nor is one who ought to win in the struggle of life.

Some of the above we have heard that one of the boys came near drowning. When he was near the land, and far out in the river, he was with cramps and called for help. Baxter took a skiff and went to his rescue, and only rescued him in time. This is the story.

We also learn that the ferry boatmen did not refuse to carry the boys that they had money, and swam the river for the fun of it.

James Nolan, of St. Louis, the man who came over safely, is a telegrapher. Mr. Nolan, the brother of this man,

"I mean business," was the remark of a Franklin street girl, who dropped a stone plank over the window on a boy who was walking on the sidewalk. "You threaten animals among the Goid."

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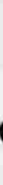
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